

# The Flat Hat

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## APRIL IS THE COOLEST MONTH



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Students woke Saturday morning to a light covering of snow, which they molded into a snowman in front of Yates Hall.

## Prank, slurs probed

*A TDX brother filed a complaint against a Phi Tau member*

BY BRIAN MAHONEY  
FLAT HAT NEWS EDITOR

At 1:40 a.m. April 1, Theta Delta Chi's "Preps vs. Punks" dance party ended abruptly after students discovered human excrement on the dance floor. Members of the fraternity quickly cleared the Unit C basement and cleaned the floor, but the incident caused a verbal dispute — allegedly laced with anti-gay rhetoric — between members of TDX and members of Phi Kappa Tau, who occupy the adjacent Unit D residence.

A member of TDX, who asked to remain anonymous, has individually filed two com-

plaints to Dean of Students Patricia Volp, one regarding the excrement on the dance floor and the other against a member of Phi Tau, who is charged with yelling the anti-gay remarks to TDX brothers after Unit C was cleared.

"I can't imagine anything more disgusting," Volp said about the incident on the dance floor.

Assistant Dean Dave Gilbert, agreed.

"[I can't imagine] a scenario where that wasn't deliberate," Gilbert said. "I guess you can imagine it, but it's highly unlikely, let's put it that way."

Gilbert, who heads Judicial Affairs, said that TDX believes the excrement on the dance floor was the result of a prank, but neither he nor the complaint named a perpetrator.

"I can certainly verify human excrement on the floor of [TDX's] dance floor," Gilbert said. "They think someone brought it in."

While the student who filed the complaint did not name any

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Administrators believe excrement found on the floor at TDX was the result of a prank.

## Two gunshots fired near campus

BY AUSTIN WRIGHT  
FLAT HAT NEWS EDITOR

Two gunshots were fired but no one was hit outside the Days Inn hotel on Richmond Road Saturday night around 11:30 p.m. when a large group of people started fighting after leaving a birthday party in the meeting room of the hotel.

Two student witnesses, freshmen Se Won Chung and Chris Robinson, were walking approximately 25 feet from the hotel parking lot when they heard the first gunshot.

"I didn't know what to make of it at first," Robinson said. "Se Won thought it was a firework. I saw that there was sort of a brawl. My first instinct was just to run away from it."

He said that there were 50 to 60 people in the parking lot.

According to a woman who was in

the Days Inn at the time and asked not to be named, the people were mostly 18- to 20-year-old men.

"Everything was fine, and then all the sudden there was chaos," she said. She added that after the Days Inn manager told the boys he was calling the police, they moved down the street and continued to fight. Then the first shot was fired.

Robinson said that two to three minutes later he heard the second shot as police were arriving on the scene. He said many people dispersed, and police stopped people to pat them down.

The woman in the Days Inn said the shooter has not been caught and that police are still investigating.

Williamsburg Police Deputy Chief Dave Sloggie could not be reached for comment and other officers declined to comment.



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Two gunshots were fired after a group of people started fighting outside the Days Inn on Richmond Road. Williamsburg Police are investigating.

## SA appointment process begins

*Pilchen says cabinet will be most diverse in SA history*

BY JOSH BARR  
THE FLAT HAT

Student Assembly President-elect, sophomore Zach Pilchen, is planning on making changes to the executive appointment process.

"Many new positions are being created for areas where the Student Assembly has traditionally failed to meet student needs, and several older, redundant positions are being eliminated entirely," Pilchen said.

Pilchen said that his cabinet will be the most diverse in SA history and will draw from the best and brightest of the College. Pilchen wants to reach out to the overwhelming majority of the student body who have never been involved with the SA.

"The student body deserves no less than the most capable, passionate team of individuals possible to advocate their needs," he said.

His first order of business is to appoint positions for the cabinet within the executive branch. There are six main departments: Academic Policy, Student Life, Public Affairs,

Finance, Diversity Initiatives and Health and Safety.

According to the SA constitution, senators must approve all departmental appointments. Pilchen and Vice President-elect sophomore Valerie Hopkins will be meeting with the newly-elected senators to discuss their agenda for next year.

Pilchen has not said which of President Scofield's officers he will reappoint and he refused to comment as to whether he would appoint defeated SA candidates Brad Potter and Brett Phillips to any positions.

Pilchen would not comment on specific appointments, but sophomore Andy Peters, the Assistant Secretary of Public Affairs under the Scofield administration, confirmed that he will "almost certainly" be re-appointed. He told The Flat Hat details of a meeting with Pilchen where they discussed the future of the SA and how Pilchen's plans compare to those of the Scofield administration. According to Peters, despite his support of Brad Potter and Brett Phillips, Pilchen wants him back.

Peters is a Flat Hat staff columnist.

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## Money missing at Aroma's

BY AUSTIN WRIGHT  
FLAT HAT NEWS EDITOR

The owners of Aroma's on Prince George Street suspect an unnamed former employee of embezzling more than \$1,000 from the coffeehouse, which currently employees approximately 12 College students. The suspected employee was not a student.

"We try to run as concise as we can in terms of the administrative and other procedures in order to ensure that everyone is accountable," co-owner Don Pratt said. "But every once in a while you have a bad apple."

An Aroma's employee who wished to remain anonymous said the suspected employee was a manager who often handled cash. She

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FILE PHOTO • THE FLAT HAT  
More than \$1,000 is missing from Aroma's.

## Major requires activism

BY JAMES DAMON  
FLAT HAT STAFF WRITER

"Activists everywhere take to the classroom." That's the philosophy supported by the College's women's studies department, which is making activism a part of its curriculum and redefining the practice in the process.

Sophomore Katie Dixon is one student taking advantage of this opportunity. Dixon and a group of classmates chose to tackle the issue of body image on campus, to "dispel the notion that all women are or want to be model thin," according to Dixon's professor, Jennifer Putzi.

"We decided to try to find the female stereotype believed by most undergraduate women to define

[College] women, and then take photographs of women of all sizes for a display with statistics and quotes," she said.

To implement this project, Dixon and her group surveyed a number of campus groups, ranging from sororities to service organizations. Questions asked girls their current weight, their ideal weight and their concepts of the typical College female.

The project is a major assignment in intro to women's studies, a class required for all women's studies majors. It requires students to implement an activism project that addresses a major issue facing women on the college or community level. But it was students, not faculty, who demanded that activism become more

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## Students celebrate Passover in Wren

BY KARA STARR  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. NEWS EDITOR

The College's chapter of the Jewish student organization Hillel gathered together both Jewish and non-Jewish members of the community, including President Gene Nichol, for a Seder held in the Wren Hall of the Wren building on the second night of Passover, April 3.

"For the second night we invited the entire community

and had a special 'learning Seder,'" Hillel President junior Alex Eichel said. "This was something we had never done before. We did this because so many non-Jews were asking about Passover and wanted to come to a Seder. [It] was a great success."

The Seder, the traditional Passover prayers and meal ceremony, included audience participation in the readings and explanations for all the songs

as part of Hillel's effort to educate those interested about the meaning and traditions of Pass-



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Traditional kosher food.

over.

A two-night event, the Great Hall was packed both for the learning Seder and the regular Seder. This was the first year that the Seder was held in the Wren building.

Despite the Seder's timing during the after effects of the Wren Cross controversy, the Great Hall was selected more for its practicality than as a political statement.

"Since the first night of

Passover was a Monday night, all of the sororities booked the rooms in the UC and every other space that fit 100 people," Eichel said. "No sorority would switch rooms with us. The only other spaces available were the Alumni House and the Great Hall. Why did we choose the Great Hall? The Alumni house was very expensive. We had the Great Hall booked before the

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### Corrections

In Friday’s corrections, we listed a correction about Assistant Professor of Government Paula Pickering, but we listed her as Paula Pickery.

The Flat Hat wishes to correct any facts printed incorrectly. Corrections may be submitted by e-mail to the section editor in which the incorrect information was printed. Requests for corrections will be accepted at any time.

### Weather

Tuesday



High 63°  
Low 43°

Wednesday



High 62°  
Low 52°

Thursday



High 76°  
Low 47°

Source: [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com)

### Quotes of the Week

“*I can’t imagine anything more disgusting.*”  
- Dean of Students Patricia Volp on a prank at TDX fraternity where fecal matter was left on the floor.  
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“*We’ll break down in the middle of a doubles point and just start worshipping each other.*”  
- Senior Megan Moulton-Levy on her relationship with her tennis partner  
*See ODD COUPLE page 7*

### News in Brief

#### Postal Service to honor Jamestown anniversary

The U.S. Postal Service will launch a new stamp honoring the 400th anniversary of the Jamestown settlement at a special first-day-of-issue ceremony May 11, according to The Roanoke Times.  
*— by Carl Siegmund*

#### Mascot committee seeks input

William and Mary News reported that the mascot committee is encouraging individuals to visit the committee’s new web site, [www.wm.edu/logo/](http://www.wm.edu/logo/) to learn more about the process. They are planning on presenting a recommendation by early Fall 2007.  
*— by Morgan Figa*

### By the Numbers

## Registration by department

The following numbers are based on Fall 2006 course registration data on Banner. Fall was chosen because it may best reflect the upcoming semester.

**1,727 out of 1,754**

The number of slots in all government classes that were filled. On average, there was less than one opening for every two government classes. The philosophy department’s classes were almost as fully booked.

**Half**

The proportion of slots in all computer science classes that were filled. While the department’s classes had room for 796 students, only 397 enrolled.

**62.13 students**

The average class size of chemistry classes, based on the number of students who actually took the class, not the cap. Independent studies and classes worth less than three credits are not counted in the average.

**19.93**

The average number of students in English department classes.

**2,093**

The total number of slots offered in Economics classes. Of those, 1,753 were filled. Each class had an average of 8.3 openings.

*— by Maxim Lott*



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### BEYOND THE BURG

## Flag-burning Yale students arrested for arson

*Two freshmen, one senior caught burning American flag near campus*

By ANGELA COTA  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. NEWS EDITOR

Three Yale students were arrested last week at 3 a.m. for burning an American flag at a private home near campus.

Senior Hyder Akbar Nikolaos and freshmen Nikolaos Angelopoulos and Farhad Anklesaria said they were lost walking back to campus after visiting a friend. They were arrested for charges including first-degree reckless endangerment, third-degree criminal mischief, second-degree arson, breach of peace and conspiracy to commit second-degree arson. Flag burning is not illegal.

The two freshmen are both foreign citizens. Angelopoulos is a Greek international student and Anklesaria is British. Their arrests could affect their immigration status.

Akbar was born in Pakistan but is a U.S. citizen. He is also the son of a former governor of an Afghan province. Akbar helped the U.S.

as an informal translator during the invasion of Afghanistan. He then published a memoir entitled “Come Back to Afghanistan.”

The students were caught after police officers gave them directions back to campus but soon found the burning flag a few blocks away. The three admitted that they were responsible.

They spent Tuesday night in jail. Bail was set at \$25,000 for Akbar and Angelopoulos and \$15,000 for Anklesaria. They were all released on bail by mid-morning Wednesday.

Thursday, their lawyer stated that it was not politically motivated, and he described it as a “stupid college prank,” according to the Yale Daily News.

Akbar took responsibility for the entire incident. Angelopoulos and Anklesaria seemed to have been “at the wrong place at the wrong time,” their lawyer told the Yale Daily News.

The police report does not reveal whether or not the students

were intoxicated, and university officials will not comment on whether or not they will take disciplinary action for the alleged prank.

The incident comes after last year’s criticisms of Yale after the New York Times Magazine ran a story on former diplomat to the foreign minister of the Taliban Rahmatullah Hashemi’s admission into the Non-Degree Students Program. The issue received international attention. Hashemi did not gain admission into the Eli Whitney Students Program last summer (which would have given him the opportunity to get a degree) and was unable to obtain a visa to return to Yale from Pakistan for this year.

For this reason some argue that the issue of Afghani students at Yale is the reason for debate over the flag incident, where the incident might normally be disregarded as an irrational act committed by college students. The plea hearing is scheduled for today.

### STREET BEAT

## Do you think dining services accommodates well for special diets?



Passover food was terrible. A very nice gesture, but the follow-through was kind of weak.

*Andy Henderson, freshman*



I find people with special dietary needs need to be creative.

*Anna Muto, sophomore*



Not very well. My friends who are vegetarian aren’t even on the meal plan.

*Stephan Kane, sophomore*



I’m a vegetarian and I’m generally happy. I think they’ve improved a lot this year.

*Martha Morris, junior*

*— photos by Andrew McCartney, interviews by Julia Schaumburg*

### CITY POLICE BEAT

## April 3 to April 7

**Thursday, April 5** — Two 21-year-old white males were arrested at 900 Lafayette St. and charged with noise violations. One

was described as about 6’2” and the other was about 6’4”.

— A 24-year-old woman and an 18-year-old man, both of Williamsburg, were sentenced to five years of prison on charges of burglary and attempted robbery. The young

man had one additional year for violating his probation on an earlier charge for a malicious wounding.

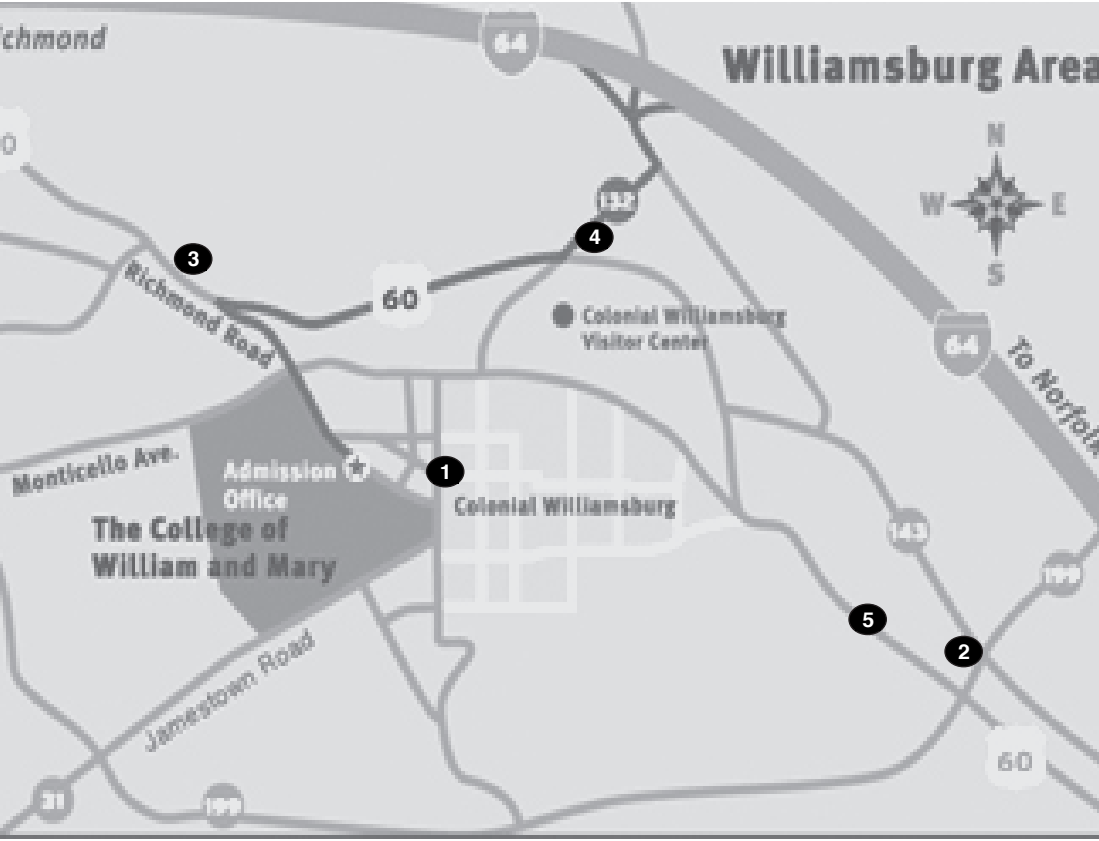
The decision comes from an Aug. 30, 2006 incident, when a group of six people broke into a 32-year-old man’s apartment at the Village of Woodshire apartment complex on Merrimac Trail. They intended to rob him but started beating him instead. There were two other 18-year-olds involved, who pled guilty but also faced five-year prison terms.

**Saturday, April 7** — A man was arrested on charges of being drunk in public on 400 Richmond Rd. The 24-year-old white male was described as 6’0”, 300 pounds, with blue eyes.

— On 800 Capitol Landing Rd., a 46-year-old Yorktown man was arrested and charged with a DUI, refusal and following too close. The subject was described as 6’2”, 300 lbs, with blue eyes and brown hair.

— At 500 York St., an 18-year-old man was arrested for possession of marijuana. He was described as a black male with brown eyes.

*— compiled by Angela Cota*





# Colonial Williamsburg buys rare Lee portrait of slave girl

By ANGELA COTA  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. NEWS EDITOR

Colonial Williamsburg has purchased a rare painting of a slave girl by Mary Anna Randolph Custis Lee, the wife of Robert E. lee, painted in 1830.

The painting depicts a black slave girl in a red dress with a white apron, holding a wooden tub on her head. It will likely be stored in the DeWitt Wallace Decorative Arts Museum, Barbara Luck, curator of paintings, drawings and sculptures for Colonial Williamsburg, said.

“We’re accessioning it, but it will get out soon,” Luck said.

Colonial Williamsburg acquired the painting from the Alexander Gallery in New York, who put out a full-page color advertisement in March to sell it. They also displayed it at an antiques show in January.

“A lot of people in Virginia are probably already familiar with it partly through the gallery and the antiques show, so I’m sure some people from Virginia will come to see it,” Luck said.

Though the picture is only four inches wide and five-and-three-fourths inches high, it was offered for \$400,000 in January. The gallery and Colonial Williamsburg have both declined to reveal the price Colonial Williamsburg paid in the end, according to the Associated Press.

The girl in the painting is believed to be one of the slaves on Lee’s plantation, the Arlington House, which later became Arlington National Cemetery. The artist’s signature appears on the girl’s apron in the picture, but it reads “Mary Anna Randolph Custis” as the portrait was done one year before her marriage to Lee in 1831.

# Women’s studies students fuse intellect, activism

*Introductory courses highlight the importance of politically active women*

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central to the women’s studies major. Students are now addressing the history of activism and its role in the women’s movement as part of the intro level class.

“I think it is incredibly important to learn activism in a classroom,” Dixon said. “Before I took intro to women’s studies, it was very difficult for me to find things I was passionate about defending and I certainly wasn’t sure how to go about defending them.”

Activism was a central component of the women’s movement of the 1970’s in the United States. Women’s studies is a discipline rooted in this history, making it a field of study “inseparable from

feminist activism,” according to Putzi.

“We’ve lost touch with this as a movement, I think,” Putzi said. “And our students are forcing us to rethink this relationship again. They are finding that doing quality activism requires good research and planning. Many academics find that doing good research often requires activism as well. It just makes sense to me to teach both.”

Dixon believes that a new brand of activism has arisen in recent years. It’s a more quiet and open-minded form of activism with grassroots origins. As Dixon sees it, these new activists defy stereotypes that portray the activist as one who relies on “in your

face tactics” to make her point.

Dixon’s activist, on the other hand, is neither boisterous nor narrow-minded.

“[Activists] listen and accept both sides of any argument, and I think that is what makes them great activists,” Dixon said.

“Activism is simply finding a cause you care about and doing something to change the way it is perceived or the way the cause is,” she added. “It is in marches and megaphones, but it is also, more and more, in seemingly quiet men and women and quiet classrooms and organizations, in petitions [as seen in the Wren Cross controversy] and classroom projects like the one being implemented for women’s studies.”

# For Williamsburg couple, crime doesn’t Paypal

By CARL SIEGMUND  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. NEWS EDITOR

Rachel Reyes, 29, of Williamsburg, was sentenced Tuesday to 55 months in prison, three years of supervised release and ordered to pay \$415,754.84 in restitution, in connection with her role in distributing fraudulent celebrity memorabilia items on eBay.

According to court documents, Reyes, her husband Jeffrey Reyes, 30, and her mother, Nancy Selisker, operated their own eBay accounts for the sale of the counterfeit memorabilia, which included record albums and photographs of celebrities with forged signatures.

More than 5,550 people were victims of the scam that lasted

from July 2002 until March 2005.

Reyes was sentenced to 55 months in prison with three years of supervised release.

Her husband was sentenced to 33 months in prison, three years of supervised release and ordered to repay almost \$100,000.

To conduct the fraud scheme, the three defendants purchased unsigned memorabilia from various locations in Virginia and then forged celebrity signatures on those items.

They subsequently posted the items for auction on eBay’s Internet website.

The listings falsely described these items as authentic and offered fraudulent certificates of authenticity.

From July 5, 2002 through

March 11, 2005, using eBay account RICHIEGECKO, Rachel Reyes personally completed 5,265 sales of memorabilia with forged signatures to 3,359 victims, with losses totaling approximately \$314,773.97. From July 21, 2003 through March 11, 2005, using eBay account MMASGRL, Selisker personally completed 1,620 sales of memorabilia with forged signatures to 1,104 victims, with losses totaling approximately \$118,114.07.

From August 10, 2002 through March 11, 2005, using eBay account WOLFIE88, Jeffrey Reyes completed 1,317 sales of memorabilia with forged signatures to 1,124 victims, totaling approximately \$130,520.72.

Victims were located in all 50 states and 33 other countries.

# Other delis here to stay

By MAXIM LOTT  
FLAT HAT ASSIGNMENT EDITOR

Although the College Delly is going out of business to make room for a Starbucks, the two other local delis — Paul’s Deli and the Green Leafe Cafe — say that business is good and that they have no intention of leaving.

“Business at the Green Leafe has been outstanding for the last several years,” Green Leafe Co-Owner Kevin Abley told The Flat Hat. “I ... give credit to our excellent staff for our continued success.”

The Green Leafe is doing well enough to expand to New Town. The new outlet is expected to open later this month.

“Our expansion to the New Town location is a result of our efforts over the last several years to move the business beyond just a college bar,” Abley said.

“Business is steady ... we do steady business at all times of day,” Betsy Griffin, a Paul’s Deli employee of 16 years, told The Flat Hat. The owners of Paul’s Deli were not available for comment at the time.

Neither Abley nor Griffin felt they could speculate as to why the College Delly is leaving. Starbucks is willing to pay more than any other business to rent the building, which may imply that it

would be more profitable than any other establishment.

The Flat Hat reported March 23 that sentimental alumni had made offers to buy the College Delly and retain its name, but that their offers were much lower than that of Starbucks.

Abley expects a Starbucks to do well in the College Delly’s location.

“Starbucks is a very successful corporation that I’m sure does their homework before entering into a business venture,” she said. “I have no doubt that they will be quite profitable at that location. Their huge marketing budget, buying power with vendors and proximity to the College make it a can’t miss deal in my opinion.”

Abley also said that he does not think that the end of the College Delly will transfer business to the Leafe.

“The College Delly attracts a very different crowd,” he said. “I don’t think it will change our sales one bit.”

“You might be surprised to know that our lunch and dinner business well eclipses our late night business,” he added in an e-mail to The Flat Hat.

The new establishment in New Town will reflect that, as it will be more of an upscale eatery than the Scotland Street location.

Starbucks will replace the College Delly this summer pending an environmental review.

# Under the MICR SCORE

◆ SOME ALTERNATIVE FUELS MAY CAUSE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES

By ETHAN THEUERKAUF  
FLAT HAT SCIENCE COLUMNIST

As the price at the pump escalates, so does research and interest in alternative fuel sources, including organic-based ethanol.

At first glance, ethanol-based fuels may appear to be an attractive alternative to expensive petroleum fuels, but a closer look reveals that hidden costs and scientific misrepresentation may make these fuels just as costly as their petroleum counterparts.

Ethanol can be produced using a variety of organic materials, including corn, switchgrass (a perennial grass common in the North American prairie), wood biomass and sugarcane.

According to researchers David Pimentel of Cornell University and Tad W. Patzek of the University of California at Berkeley, the amount of fossil fuel energy used to create ethanol exceeds its energy output, leading to a negative net energy gain.

This statement of net energy return contradicts statements by United States Department of Agriculture researcher Hosein Shapouri, who claims that returns in ethanol production have “become positive in recent years due to technological advances in ethanol conversion and increased efficiency in farm production.”

Major sources of division on the net energy yield of ethanol stem from which energy components are included in determining the net yield.

Pimentel suggests that many of the energy inputs are excluded from USDA and other assessments on ethanol in an effort to make ethanol fuels appear to be a more efficient alternative to traditional gasoline.

Inputs that are omitted include fossil fuel energy used in the production of corn and fermentation of ethanol, farm labor costs, farm machinery costs, consumer tax costs for subsidies and the environmental impacts of both producing and burning ethanol.

Many politicians have used ethanol for political purposes, especially in the midwest, where farmers would benefit from increased ethanol use.

Senator John McCain, however, has voiced his concern about the efficiency and cost of producing ethanol. McCain states that when direct subsidies for producing ethanol are included, a gallon of eth-

anol costs around three dollars.

Pimentel takes this idea further and suggests that when the low energy return of ethanol is included, the cost of producing a gallon of ethanol that is equivalent to a gallon of gasoline is around \$7.12.

Currently, biofuels like ethanol are being marketed as more “eco-friendly” than petroleum fuels, but researchers like Pimentel, Bernd Franke of the Institute for Energy and Environmental Research and Guido Reinhardt of German-based Institute for Energy and Environmental Research suggest that the burning and production of ethanol-based fuels incur significant negative environmental impacts.

Producing corn leads to soil erosion and contamination with pesticides, groundwater depletion and contamination, pollution and eutrophication (nitrogen enrichment) of rivers, streams and lakes.

Air and water pollution also result from ethanol fermentation. In 2002, this led the Environmental Protection Agency to issue a warning to plants engaged in the process to reduce emissions or risk being shut down.

The burning of ethanol in automobiles combined with the fossil fuel energy necessary to produce ethanol significantly contributes to increased carbon dioxide levels in the atmosphere.

The use of other organic materials, such as switchgrass, soybeans and wood biomass also yields similar negative energy returns and pollution costs.

However, ethanol production using sugarcane has been demonstrated to be economically positive in Brazil; other countries that produce sugarcane, like Jamaica, are hoping to increase their ethanol production.

Research suggests that ethanol production could be considered an attractive method of transitioning from our current dependence on petroleum-based liquid fuels to innovative future energy sources such as solar, hydroelectric and wind.

Ethanol most likely will not be sustainable if its fuels are used simply to replace petroleum fuels; thus fuel conservation methods and innovative approaches to development, like new urbanism (New Town for example), are stressed.

For now, consumers can expect to fill their cars with increasing quantities of ethanol as global oil production decreases, but should not expect ethanol to be able to quench our thirst for cheap, liquid energy.

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# Harassment complaint filed against Phi Tau member

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suspect in the dance floor incident, the report to the dean claims that a Phi Tau brother used anti-gay remarks against some brothers of TDX after the unit was cleared.

Due to the confidentiality of the incident report, Gilbert could not state the content of the remarks. He did say, however, that they were the type of words “an eighth grader would use.”

Billy Hafker, a sophomore and Phi Tau’s vice president, acknowledged that members of both fraternities shared words after the unit was cleared, and that members of both groups had been drinking that night.

“We were all just real drunk,” Hafker said. “We got on each others’ nerves and we started yelling at each other. A few people in each of our groups were trying to rile things up a little bit and took

it too far.”

Hafker also said that the dispute was an isolated incident, one that did not indicate a continuing rivalry between the two fraternities. He stated that the “derogatory” remarks were only made by one of the Phi Tau brothers, who is currently under judicial review.

Gilbert verified Hafker’s statement.

“It does appear that it’s primar-

ily an individual and not a contingent of the group or an officer of the group acting on behalf of the fraternity,” he said.

Hafker acknowledged that campus police were involved, but no one was written up for the incident.

TDX declined to comment, stating that the incident was an individual issue, and did not involve the entire fraternity.

“This is being pursued as an individual issue, not as an organizational issue. Therefore, as an organization, we do not feel it is our place to comment,” the statement read.

The student under investigation will undergo a cursory review, where Gilbert will outline the judicial process and make sure the accused student is aware of his rights. After the cursory review, the student will face the judicial council.

# Passover celebrated

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Wren controversy even started.”

Although the Seder is held on the first two nights, Jews follow strict kosher-for-Passover rules for all eight days of Passover. These dietary restrictions prohibit any products made from flour, wheat, barley or oats.

Hillel provided dinner each night to anyone observing Passover, asking for donations from those who would partake in the meals. Dining services also had a selection of kosher-for-Passover food at both the Caf and the University Center.

“This is our eighth year of serving Passover food,” Commons Director Larry Smith said. “We have a wider selection at the UC and the Caf for lunch and dinner and just the cold setup at the Marketplace, [including the matzah, gefilte fish, hard-boiled eggs and charoset].”

Dining Services coordinated their menu with Hillel, either through Hillel Director Geoff Brown or another member of the organization.

Dining Services does not follow kosher rules in the kitchen, but they do provide at least two or three kosher entrees.

“The menu varies year to year based on who we talk to, but it has been pretty constant over the years. Over the last couple years, I have noticed that no one goes directly to the Passover section because we have so many other options,” Smith said.

Both Smith and Resident District Manager Phil DiBenedetto attended the second night Seder, where they were thanked by Hillel leaders for their efforts in accommodating Jewish students.

“We have received a lot of positive feedback [about our kosher-for-Passover selection] from both Hillel and individual students,” Smith said.

Although their efforts are appreciated, some students think that there is much progress to be made.

“They are trying,” Eichel said. “Each year is a little better. But, honestly, the accommodations are slim to none compared to other schools. When I ate at the UC [my freshman year], the Passover section included matzah and a buffet of things to make a matzah sandwich with. They included ham, bacon and cheese. It’s rough.”

# Appointments begin

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Pilchen added that he and his transition team have carefully reviewed the results of the referenda

on the ballot last month. After he has filled the appropriate cabinet positions, he said his administration will determine what to do with the referenda results.

# Alleged embezzlement at Aroma’s

**ALLEGED** *from page 1*

said he quit on the spot after being questioned about the missing money.

Williamsburg Police are currently investigating the crime but could not be reached for comment.

Pratt said that he was told the suspected employee has left the state. He also said he talked to several judges and insurance carriers recently who told him that this type of crime is on the rise.

“In the past eight years since we opened, we employed over 500 people, and the vast majority of those have been students,” he said. “The actions of one do not reflect on the actions of those who are working in a very dedicated way, and again most of those are students.”



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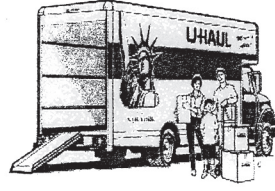
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STAFF EDITORIAL

Intolerant behavior  
childish, unacceptable

The recent allegations of homophobic slandering on the part of members of Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, directed at neighboring fraternity Theta Delta Chi, are disturbing, embarrassing and have no place on this campus. Individual fraternity members are by no means representative of the organization as a whole, yet such inappropriate and degrading behavior exhibited by individuals naturally reflects poorly on their peers. These reports are particularly troubling when considering that many fraternities are founded on leadership and character, and that they exist today as a means for their members to develop and pursue these goals.

On a more rudimentary level, this sort of childish behavior, including the fecal matter which was dropped on the TDX dance floor — reportedly the result of a prank — completely contradicts the ideals of a tolerant and accepting college. Several members of the Greek community, including brothers of Phi Tau, have introduced recent initiatives which have helped increase dialogue on combating homophobia and encouraging a tolerant atmosphere, both on fraternity row and on the entire campus. Regrettably, the actions of a small number of members have, for the time being, overshadowed these efforts.

The fraternity situation on campus is an interesting one. With seven fraternities currently living in such close quarters, and another three slated to return to the Units next fall, the fraternities are constantly interacting with one another. This has the potential to be beneficial for all parties, yet all too often fraternity rivalries prevail and things get out of hand. We realize that this housing situation differs from other schools, where fraternities enjoy the luxuries of separate housing where they are not con-

stantly prone to police inspections and an administrative watchdog, but this does not excuse fraternity members from displaying the maturity that should be expected from any student of the College.

We applaud members of Phi Tau for acknowledging their role in the incident and accepting that such behavior is unacceptable. It is no surprise that alcohol is often involved, and that situations such as this have the tendency to escalate beyond control. While accepting responsibility and being apologetic for such actions are notable starts, actions must be taken on the part of Greek organizations to ensure that these incidents do not occur. Individual members must be educated and informed, much like any other student on this campus should understand the principles of tolerance and open-mindedness as they relate to sexual orientation at a liberal arts

college. Fraternity members, in addition, must also understand that their actions have the potential to reflect poorly and often unfairly on their brothers.

Campus organizations are known for their diversity and effectiveness in increasing awareness about important campus issues. Fraternities are no different. It is often the case that actions or mistakes of one member are absent in his fellow members. The amount of self-governance which exists in most Greek organizations gives the group the power to handle problems with members internally and prevent future occurrences of this sort. We hope that an active and honest approach is taken by the leaders of these organizations to ensure that all members realize that, regardless of the circumstances, such behavior is not only juvenile, but may have extremely negative consequences for the fraternity as a whole.

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Reviewer remains resolute

I must admit that I was not at all offended when I read the March 30 Letter to the Editor calling my review of the amazing “300” “grossly inaccurate” and a “hateful diatribe masked as a movie review.”



Beth Sutherland

If the reader found my statements “inflammatory,” then good. I’ve written something worth reading — something that inflames. That I am in the right is evident by the fact that Kayvan Farchadi’s letter says nothing of substance, but merely blows a lot of hot air, hoping to scorch my face. In other words, I would like to say that it isn’t enough to simply be an angry Iranian American — that that doesn’t entitle you (or anyone, really) to easy offense or special cinematic treatment. Nor does it give you license to ignore or revise history — while claiming the self-righteous status of “informed citizen.”

Don’t pick fights where there are none. Loaded language does not carry the day and never will. Now hear why.

Farchadi states that his main objection to my review is that it was “published in a student newspaper without a thought to its effect on a section of the student body.” To this, I say toughen up or stop reading The Flat Hat. As one who believes in sexual modesty, I do not balk at the sex column or write petulant letters of complaint about its effect on me. Journalism is nothing if it is not stirring; it most certainly should swat at the hornet’s nest every chance it gets. We are the watchdogs. Expect angry barking.

The next, slightly more relevant argument is that I claim the movie contains “an impressive amount of historical integrity,” when it supposedly doesn’t. Farchadi offers a history lesson of his own, for which I offer my most heartfelt congratulations. He knows some history, too. However, he only reiterates what I’ve said in some cases and talks past me in others. He should know that I’m well aware of the existence of Greek slavery and that it actually has nothing to do with the movie. He should also know that the Persian armies consisted of conquered peoples forced into fighting for a tyrannical god-king. Not slavery, you say? Fine. Make a word up. Leonidas’s army was composed of free men who freely assembled to protect their freedom. Xerxes sat on a hill and watched; Leonidas fought and died with his men. Does that make the Persians

look bad? Well, yeah. And it makes for a darn good movie.

I was also tickled to read Farchadi’s account of the ruthlessness of the Spartans. How they “murdered slaves for sport” and “lived for war.” His treatment of the Greeks more closely resembles “a hateful diatribe” than anything in my review, which is amusing. Why are these facts recounted with such malice when they are exactly what I say in my review? Yes — this is the point of “300” — that the Spartans were extreme bad boys. Sometimes horrific, sometimes cool — they actually lived the seemingly exaggerated, comic book-esque lives portrayed in the film. I invoke their ruthlessness as a means of justifying the film’s accuracy. Farchadi can only invoke them for a different reason — the same reason he finds it necessary to provide me with a list of reasons why the Persians were so great. He has, like the very people I tried to counter with my review, made an entertaining film, centered on glory, about East vs. West. I shall not tread lightly on this topic and will take my chances dodging the lightning bolts of the gods of political correctness. I never claimed that the

Greeks are good or the Persians bad. And the less-than-flattering facts I include about the Persians, I offer only as a defense of the movie’s integrity. Art is a mirror. What do you see when you look at this movie? If truthful exhibitions of history drive a “wedge” between the Iranian government and the United States, then what does that say about the Iranian government? And, frankly, it’s nigh impossible to say anything truthful about Ahmadinejad without being insulting. He does it to himself.

I have to wonder, though, whether I lit this fire or simply fed one that was already burning. My original review was actually reactionary in nature; it was a response to the many hostile reviewers I had read who ignorantly and irresponsibly blasted “300” as a politically incorrect film about the present. My words were spoken as the self-defense of a person who admired a perfectly innocent and fun flick, and who was disgusted by those who could look at an isolated battle of antiquity and see American chauvinism. “300” is a graphic novel written in 1998. It’s not about the war or anything contemporary. To the masses of apologists, I say make a movie about the Melian Dialogue and get over it. Stop seeing yourselves in random action flicks; you’re not that important.

Beth Sutherland is a sophomore at the College.



By NATE BURGESS, FLAT HAT GRAPHICS EDITOR

Bumped? Call the mayor

As you’ve probably heard (or, unfortunately, experienced), a whopping 326 students were bumped from the College’s housing lottery this semester. This is a huge jump from the norm, which is usually about 100 to 200 students each year. For some reason, though, no



Devan Barber

one can really explain what happened to make this year any different — the assistant director of Residence Life, Katrina Pawvluk, was quoted last week in The Flat Hat saying, “I’m afraid I do not have a real good answer for why the process is going so slow this year or why our demand for housing is higher.” According to Pawvluk, any student who really wants on-campus housing will eventually get it, and the folks at Residence Life are going to dedicate themselves to this goal over the next few months. I guess it’s good to be optimistic, but I personally would not want to risk not getting campus housing solely based on the hopeful expectation that some students will choose to drop out of lottery over the summer.

What makes this housing situation especially bizarre, though, is the gender disparity in the group of bumped students. Out of the 326, 210 are women and only 125 are men, a split of 62 percent women to 38 percent men. The gender split at the College is only 54 percent women to 46 percent men, which doesn’t really explain this weird statistic. My initial explanation was that the fraternities moving back onto campus into the units — Kappa Alpha, Pi Kappa Alpha and Beta Theta Pi — were taking away housing spots that were available last year and causing the high numbers of bumped students (which would explain why so many women are currently displaced). In some informal talks with other students, though, I’ve been told that most of the brothers in these fraternities already live on campus, so they aren’t “taking away” any spots, they’re just all moving into the Units. If anything, this should help the rest of the student body by freeing up the nicer rooms on campus. Thus, the gender ratio remains a mystery.

Regardless of the reasons behind the current housing situation, the basic conclusion is the same: these kids need a place to live. Typically, students who are bumped during the spring semester eventually get reinstated before classes start again in the fall, but these individuals should be able to have more control over

their living situations than simply waiting for someone else to drop out of the lottery.

This is why it is now more imperative than ever that the student body pushes the City of Williamsburg to change its three-person housing rule. This rule states, under section 21-2 of the Zoning Ordinance of Williamsburg, that no more than three unrelated people may “live and cook as a single housekeeping unit.” In practice, it provides a reason for the city to evict groups of students living together in off-campus houses based on the number of people under one roof. I spoke with Student Assembly Senator and formerly evicted student Matt Beato, a sophomore, who asserted how illogical this ordinance is: “With other laws, you typically are harming someone else when you violate them; with the three-person rule, you can be evicted for harming absolutely no one.” While many students living off-campus can get in trouble for breaking the noise ordinance or violating parking laws, students penalized by the three-person rule are not actually doing anything wrong. Because it essentially discriminates against individuals before any “real” laws are even violated, many see the ordinance as purely anti-student.

With the string of evictions earlier in the semester and now the high number of bumped

students who may be forced to find off-campus housing, this issue certainly seems to have come to a boiling point. Students are going to start demanding action from our own Student Assembly, from the City of Williamsburg and from the student body itself. Thankfully, our new executive seems to have prioritized this issue; SA President-elect Zach Pilchen declared to me that, “You can rest assured that we will place this issue at the forefront of our administration’s relationship with the city, and that positive progress can be expected from your Student Assembly on this front for the first time in 15 years.” That is exactly the mindset we need when tackling this issue, and I look forward to hearing and reviewing Pilchen’s logistical plans for making it happen.

The three-person housing rule needs to be our main concern until we make significant headway — a change in the ordinance will significantly affect other important student concerns like student parking and voting rights, as well as help build positive relations between the College and the city.

Devan Barber, a junior at the College, is a staff columnist. Her columns appear on Tuesdays.

Letter to the Editor

Open letter to Alan Kennedy-Shaffer To the Editor:

I am writing this as Trey Freeman, law student — not as former Student Bar Association president. I was not planning on sending a letter like this, but I could not stand by and watch while a person tries to sully the reputations of honorable students for their own twisted sense of personal aggrandizement.

I have no problem with you printing your opinion, but my issue boils down to a matter of your integrity. It’s easy to see that your intent is about bringing attention to yourself rather than a concern for the Honor Council. Additionally, using the term “dishonest” was itself dishonest and conveyed a message about our school that is not true. More importantly, even if what you said is valid, you have no evidence demonstrating the Honor Council had any dishonest intent. If anything, what you describe were concerns of a lack of thoroughness or efficiency. Yet, even these concerns seem embellished. Through my extensive involvement with the law school student body and the Honor Council over the last three years I have seen nothing but sincere efforts for absolute excellence in thoroughness and efficiency.

The 2005-2006 year was the first time the Honor Council had to deal with an Honor Code violation in many years and issues were discovered with the code. These issues were brought to the attention of the undergraduate Honor Council and administration. As you should know, institutional change comes slowly — that is reality.

As I read your column, I found it very disrespectful and disingenuous. What is this really all about? Are you mad because you were removed from two elections? When you came to the SBA election interest meeting, I told you directly to respect the letter and the spirit of the election rules. I said this because you were the only person in three years to be removed from an election ... not

just once but twice. In the latest presidential election, you were given two chances to respect the rules and you disregarded them.

What you fail to realize is that this is a professional school. Thus, the students you disrespect and disparage today will be your colleagues tomorrow. Do you really think that anyone in law school is ever going to refer business to you or recommend you for a job after the stunts you’ve pulled this year? This concept is so fundamental that it is sometimes easy to forget, but for your professional future you may want to consider it.

You speak of how the Honor Council is dishonest; however, all I can think of is how dishonest you were when handling the election poll results for the Advocate. What are you trying to prove by attacking Chief Justices Leondras Webster and Ryan Brady? These are two of the most honest and well respected individuals at the law school, and nothing you say or insinuate will change that. They have earned our trust because they have flawlessly served the law school community with honor. Through their efforts, the good name of our community continues to spread throughout the country. We owe them thanks and appreciation, not underhanded accusations.

It’s time for you to mature and handle your situations like an adult. You need to begin accepting responsibility for your actions and accept the consequences. For the sake of the law school community, I hope you will take some time to think about what this school represents and find the integrity inside yourself to live up to the standards William and Mary Law expects of all its students: respect, honesty and, most of all, honor. You should be ashamed.

— Trey Freeman, JD ‘07

Editor’s note: Alan Kennedy-Shaffer did not include the word “dishonest” in his column. Its use in the title was a staff decision, due to layout constraints.



CONFUSION CORNER

From Crim Dell to boys:  
the stench of spring

Something has taken over the campus: A terrible smell has settled over the buildings and landmarks of this adored institution. Not just



Charlotte Savino

one smell, but distinct and characteristic smells, each foul in its own particular way. Only a few weeks ago, the stench of fertilized mulch hung around

Jamestown North and South — this smell, at least, has a purpose. The scent of soil and planting can be a little comforting, if not pleasant. The thought of spring flowers in all of their radiant, well-nourished glory helps temper the odor.

However, this raises other questions about similar nasal-offenders. What on earth is the reason for the over-cooked broccoli smell in Tucker? An oscillating bouquet of cruciferous vegetables and the scent of raw sewage plagues my favorite building on Old Campus. I have heard the most concentrated area of stench is down in the Charles Center — hardly conducive to inviting students to apply for grants and fellowships. Perhaps this problem might speed along the rumored renovation of the structure.

Moving on to that most delicate of ecosystems, the Crim Dell is in full stink bloom as of late. The smell begins along the Landrum path and lasts to the UC Terrace, forcing a quicker pace as one moves by the picturesque spot. The smell poses a problem for tour guides as well: Usually we stop by the Crim Dell to regroup, tell stories about the traditions and superstitions of the site and let prospectives snap photos of our beautiful campus. Recently, these moments have been cut abruptly short because the smell of some biological decay makes it hard to wax poetic about the bridge and its surroundings.

The runoff from the Crim Dell travels along the paths in the woods toward that large sinkhole and the

smell travels with it. While some students complain that the hole should be filled in or miraculously fixed, it does serve an ecological function as a drainage and overflow basin. Some classes muck around down there for research; perhaps a new assignment should be to figure out its bacterial composition and why on Earth that little area produces so much sulfur gas. That would certainly have a place in a syllabus.

While individuals have no way to fix these situations, there is a final smell that I hope to banish from campus — the over-cologned male.

Perhaps these students feel a need to mask the various other unpleasant scents on campus with their own overpowering musk. Perhaps they would like to mark every girl they hug with a distinct halo of transferred scent. Please, spare us your consideration; you reek.

It is not only the stench of imposter designer cologne that gets me. Any fragrance applied with a heavy hand ruins desired effect. Even the most expensive, delicately mixed notes will render one nauseated if splashed on like aftershave. Please, I beg you, stop choking your peers with asphyxiates in the guise of colognes, body sprays and body splashes.

If a guy takes care of his personal hygiene, I promise he'll smell good. Nothing can mimic the scent of clean, freshly washed skin, the limited but thorough application of deodorant, the delicacy of moisturizer, the minty notes of a well-cared-for mouth or the mild halo of hair product. This subtle balance cannot be recreated in a lab and slapped on willy-nilly in an attempt to appear well groomed. The finishing touch of extra fragrance should be the last step in a full pampering routine, after which, nobody needs the additional help anyway.

Regardless of the general aroma of campus, please, do not take on the task of masking the odors single-handedly. It's more nauseating than a dip in the Crim Dell.

Charlotte Savino is a Confusion Corner columnist for The Flat Hat. She uses only the lightest spritz of designer perfume.

UCAB solves comedy monotony  
with murder and marinara

BY MEGAN DOYLE AND ALICE HAHN  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. VARIETY EDITOR AND VARIETY EDITOR

Paula Abdul, in the Chesapeake Room, with her razor-sharp wit and irresistible charm. While UCAB's Murder Mystery Dinner may recall memories of Miss Scarlett and Colonel Mustard, "Dead American Idol" puts a modern spin on the idea of the 1948 Parker Brothers' game "Clue." Pairing reality TV with a three-course meal, UCAB presents a night of murder, Paula and chicken parmesan. Appropriately scheduled on Friday, April 13, "Dead American Idol" begins at 9 p.m. in the University Center Chesapeake. Tickets are on sale for \$5 on the night of the show from 5 to 8 p.m. in the Campus Center lobby.

The UCAB comedy committee typically focuses on bringing comedians to campus, but Committee Chair Brett Roth, a junior, wanted to expand its focus. "I have always wanted [the comedy committee] to bring events other than comedians," he said.

Roth got the idea for a mystery dinner from an event he attended that was hosted by Murder Upon Request, the same group that is performing Friday. "My grandmother gave me tickets to a murder mystery dinner in Northern Virginia," he said. "[I]t was amazing, hilarious and very innovative theater."

The committee considered a number of different performing groups before ultimately selecting Murder Upon Request, a Northern Virginia-based theater and special events company that does both public and private

shows. The troupe has a wide selection of basic mysteries, which it then adapts to fit the client. "UCAB worked with the troupe to select the basic structure and then tailored it to the specific night that it will be on and to the specific crowd that will be filling the venue," Roth said.

The evening will center around the mystery "Dead American Idol." According to Roth, the event will feature an "open mic, audience participation and a satiric look on the show that has captured so many people's attention over the past five years."

Alongside the mystery will be a three-course meal catered by Carrabba's Italian Grill. UCAB selected the restaurant in hopes that its highly regarded Italian food will add to the evening's ambiance.

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Fundraiser shears locks to share beauty

BY ASHLEY MORGAN  
FLAT HAT ASSOC. VARIETY EDITOR

According to the American Cancer Society, approximately 1,444,920 people will be diagnosed with cancer in 2007. Many of these people will go through chemotherapy to treat the cancer. One emotionally difficult side-effect of chemotherapy is hair loss. This side-effect is hard for many patients, especially women. Four students at the College are trying to combat this situation by organizing a hair drive Thursday at European Beauty Concepts, located in the Monticello Shopping Center. The drive will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. and every participant — who must donate at least eight inches of hair — will receive a free hair cut.

"This is a project for our

women's studies class," freshman Heidi Snedden said. "We are fundraising to raise money for cancer research and hosting a hair donation day to benefit women who are undergoing chemotherapy. All of the intro [women's studies] classes are required to pursue an activist project."

The fundraiser is coordinated with an organization called Pantene Beautiful Lengths that creates wigs out of real hair for women battling cancer. The wigs take about four months to make and require three to four ponytails. After being crafted, the wigs are distributed to patients through the American Cancer Society at no cost.

Snedden also commented about the project bringing consciousness about broader health concerns to the community. "We are hoping to help cancer patients, as well as raise awareness for women's health issues and body image issues."

A personal experience helped sophomore Ashley Madonick

develop the idea for the project. "This past summer, I had a couple of very close family friends who were diagnosed with cancer, all of them women," she said. "When I spoke to them about their battle with cancer, every one of them described one of the most devastating side effects of undergoing chemotherapy was losing their hair. After the summer, I decided I was going to grow out my hair and donate it. I found out about Pantene's Beautiful Lengths from a woman who works in the salon where I get my hair cut."

The group has tried to reach out to the campus and the community to encourage hair donations. Flyers have been posted around campus, and there is currently a booth set up outside the University Center to recruit donors and look for donations.

"We have fundraised outside of Ukrops and plan to visit local high schools to encourage more people to donate," Snedden said. "We already have a dozen [ponytails] and \$200."

The money the students raise will go to the production of the wigs and also to educating the public. "Pantene also makes donations to the EIF's [Entertainment Industry Foundation's] Women's Cancer Research Fund, a program committed to saving lives by raising funds and awareness for millions of women and their families affected by cancer," Madonick said.

"Most people have heard of 'Locks of Love' and are turned off because it requires at least 10 inches of hair," sophomore Becca Bacharach said. "Pantene's program only requires 8 inches, which is much more doable. Our goal is to collect as many ponytails as possible and raise as much money as we can for cancer research. We do not have any specific numbers."

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# Jewel ruins race

JEWEL *from page 8*

clothes, some costumed, stand behind a thin chalk line waiting for the starter’s gun. And by starter’s gun I mean group of giggling girls who are set to yell ‘Go.’ Our hero, still bleary-eyed and looking like he was attached to a whiskey IV for much of the preceding night, waits among the masses. Suddenly, filled with a clueless temerity, one of the girls yells ‘go.’ With all of the purpose of a pack of wild buffalo, the runners amble away in confusion, stumbling awkwardly off the proverbial cliff before the girl has a chance to say “just kidding.” But it’s too late now — the girl in charge of timing runs over in shock, frantically pushing her stop watch — the race has begun.

The hero pushes immediately to the front of the pack, maintaining his pace just off of first place. The course winds through the various turns of campus and the surrounding neighborhood, and it quickly becomes apparent that no one knows exactly where the race is supposed to be run. Chalk arrows and orange cones point in every which direction. Runners begin to fall off of the torrid front tempo — for some the effort has become too much, while others are fated to follow spray painted arrows and cones that mark a campus waterline — and soon the field has narrowed down to two.

With but a short stretch to go, the race looks unbelievably close. Muscles ripple and sweat pours off of the athletes’ glistening bodies, as the agony of the race shows on their faces. The moment for greatness is fast approaching — the spectators can tell because time is beginning to slow down — but one thing is missing: the music. Except not. One of the sisters has remembered the music and she flips the switch for the sound system, hoping to aurally encase the moment like an insect trapped in amber. The athletes, arms pumping, teeth gnashing, mouths snarling, feel too that the instant is upon them, and then they hear it: “Dreams last for so long, even after your gone. You were meant for me, and I was meant for you . . .”

‘Jewel?’ the athletes think. ‘Jewel?’ the spectators say, in shock. ‘Jewel?’ our hero ponders, not believing that his moment is being so horribly treated. And in that instant of such uncertainty and confusion, the other competitor strides ahead, breaking the non-existent tape and throwing his arms up in the air.

And so, that’s the tale of my almost-moment. If you were at the 5k and saw the race, now you know why I got second and failed to secure a glorious victory. I was sabotaged by a blonde folk-singing bimbo. I was ruined by Jewel. But hey, don’t worry about me — it’s not that I really wanted to win anyway. I’m done with sports in general, to be honest. They’re not for me anymore, I’m above it — I’m through with those foolish games.

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# Panthers sweep

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bats were quieter than usual with only five hits, two from Maliniak. Maliniak charged a double to left center in the second, advanced and scored on a single from sophomore catcher Jeff Wera. Guez shot a homer to right center in the fourth to seal the College’s scoring.

“Some of our most talented players are our younger players and I hope they continue to step up,” Coach Leoni said.

Bats were livelier in the third game of the series as Sheridan, Guez and senior third baseman Greg Sexton all had three hits, and sophomore right fielder Robbie Nickle went 2-for-4 with two home runs and four RBIs.

“Robbie Nickle and Ben Guez really stepped up and gave us the boost we needed to compete this weekend,” Maliniak said.

Sexton launched a homer in the first to start the Tribe scoring. Georgia State put across six runs in the third and two more in the fifth, but the Tribe tallied up seven more to reach an 8-8 tie in the bottom of the seventh. In the ninth, the Panthers refused to leave quietly and brought in seven runs. The College rallied in the bottom of the ninth and recorded four runs as Sexton, Maliniak, Sheridan and Guez all scored, but could not close the gap. Junior Pete Vernon (5-3) recorded the loss.

“All in all, we’re not going to win every conference game and it’s good to get a bad weekend out of the way so we can dominate the way we should to close out the season,” Maliniak said.

# SPORTS IN BRIEF

The cold temperatures Saturday sent the women indoors to face Winthrop University in one of its final regular season matches. The change of scenery allowed the 13th-ranked Tribe to extend its winning streak to 24 straight matches at the McCormack-Nagelsen Tennis Center with a 7-0 victory over the Eagles. The College wasted little time bouncing back from its second defeat of the season as it swept doubles play and then motored through the singles matches. The victory came on the heels of a closely contested 3-4 loss to 11th-ranked Northwestern University. After sweeping doubles play and seeing its top three singles players fall, the Wildcats managed to halve the singles matches for the win.

*By Andrew Pike. Photo by Alex Haglund, The Flat Hat.*



LACROSSE: DREXEL 15, TRIBE 9

# Tribe stumbles in conference play

*Hofstra, Drexel best Tribe as the College faces CAA competition for the first time this season*

By JESSICA HECHT  
THE FLAT HAT

The women’s lacrosse team dropped its first two CAA conference games this weekend to Hofstra University and Drexel University. The Tribe fell to Hofstra 11-4 Friday night, marking Hofstra’s third straight conference win. Senior Jamie Fitzgerald led the College with two goals, while senior Jaime Sellers and freshman Katie Rees each tallied a goal. Freshman goalkeeper Sara Beckstead recorded 11 saves on the night, marking her fourth straight game of double-digit stops.

The Pride initiated the scoring, holding a 2-0 lead just five minutes into the game. Fitzgerald put the Tribe on the board soon after, yet Hofstra held a 5-1 advantage with 10 minutes remaining in the first half. Sellers cut the margin to three goals with 6:13 on the clock, but Hofstra put away three more before the end of the half. Beckstead recorded 9 of her 11 saves in the first half, and Hofstra held a commanding 8-2 lead over the Tribe at halftime.

Within the first three minutes of the second half, the Pride recorded back-to-back goals to jump on the College early and increase its lead to 10-2. Hofstra’s Becky Thorn scored the Pride’s final goal with 19:25 left in the game. The contest remained scoreless thereafter, until Fitzgerald and Rees both found the net in the final minute, making it an 11-4 game in Hofstra’s favor.

The College faced Drexel Sunday in a game featuring back-and-forth scoring, as the lead changed hands several times. Senior Jaime Sellers led the College with a career-high five goals, as Fitzgerald added two goals for the Tribe. Seniors Kristen Wong and Kara Parker also tallied one goal apiece, and Beckstead again reached double digit saves with 10 in the contest.

Drexel struck first with a goal in the opening minute of play, but the College responded with three straight goals by Sellers to take an early 3-1 lead. The Dragons mimicked the



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*The Tribe dropped a pair of conference matchups this week to fall to 0-2 in the CAA and 2-9 overall for the season.*

Tribe, going on a three-goal run of their own to pull ahead by one. Sellers’ fourth goal tied it up with 11:53 remaining in the first half. However, Drexel outscored the College 4-2 in the remaining minutes, taking an 8-6 advantage at halftime.

The second half began exactly like the first, with non-stop action from end to end. Drexel’s leading goal scorer, Kerry Kelly, got possession of the first draw and marched down the field to bury a shot in the net just 10 seconds into the half. Two minutes later, Wong notched her only goal to bring the College back within two. Fitzgerald scored her second goal

with 24:45 left, trimming the deficit to one.

After a Tribe turnover, the Dragons beat the College in transition to take a 10-8 lead. Down two, the Tribe continued to pressure both offensively and defensively. Drexel goalkeeper Lauren LaBella, however, came up big for the Dragons, making back-to-back stops and keeping the game scoreless for seven minutes.

At the 16:21 mark, Drexel broke the scoring drought with a goal. Again utilizing the draw, the Dragons pushed the margin to four goals just a minute later. The Tribe took a timeout hoping to slow Drexel’s momentum, but it

could not keep the Dragons at bay. Just 30 seconds later, Drexel banged in its fourth straight goal to take a 13-8 lead.

The game remained scoreless for another seven minutes until Parker’s unassisted score with 7:37 remaining. The Tribe was unable to come up with an answer to the Dragons’ scoring flurry, and Drexel sealed the victory with two more goals in the final minutes to seal its 15-9 victory over the College.

The College returns to action this Friday when it travels to the University of Delaware to take on the Blue Hens at 7 p.m.

# Duo values team over no. 1 ranking

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first impressions of each other left something to be desired (“I thought she was kind of strange,” Zoricic said with a laugh, drawing an amiably outraged response from Moulton-Levy), they describe themselves now as “best of friends,” a friendship that extends far beyond the tennis court or the College.

Each says she idolizes the other’s skill set and ability.

“We’ll break down in the middle of a doubles point and just start worshipping each other, ‘You’re my idol,’ ‘No, you’re my idol,’” Moulton-Levy said. “It’s an honor to watch [Zoricic] play.”

Their aforementioned coach, women’s tennis head coach Kevin Epley, has only the highest praise for his dynamic duo. He described Moulton-Levy as more of a “counter-puncher,” the type of player that

pressures her opponents simply by tracking down shots and keeping the ball in play. He described Zoricic as more of a “power player” with a strong forehand and serve.

Epley said that Moulton-Levy is “the kind of girl that everyone sort of gravitates to.” He also said that Zoricic “tends to be a little quieter than Megan, but goes about her business,” adding that she “demands a lot of herself.”

Though it may not have begun as the closest of friendships, it has certainly become just that.

“She’s an honorary member of my family,” Moulton-Levy said about Zoricic. “That speaks for itself.”

“Megan has been the leader of our team for the last two years,” Zoricic said. “Just to watch the things that she can overcome and how strong she is as a person . . . I’m sure it not only inspires me, but our entire team, and keeps our team going.”



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*Moulton-Levy (left) and Zoricic (right) are ranked number one in the country among doubles teams.*



HOME FIELD ADVANTAGE

Jewel ruins yet another great sports moment

Thanks to Hollywood, society at large and a disposition that lends itself toward the overly sentimental and sappy, I have an image indelibly etched in my mind. The heroic athlete — having overcome a silver bullet wound, blatant prejudice, ghosts in his cornfield, cancer, pesky groundhogs, the Great Depression or some other adversity of equal importance — standing triumphant and resolute, everyone watching in awe as he transcends the idea of what sport is, and what it can be. Music plays in the background, swelling to a thunderous crescendo, matched only in emotional intensity by the drama playing out on the field. For one moment, time halts its ceaseless march (because in the movies, well, it really does), and you glimpse in a flash an image of the unfettered human spirit, of a natural and pure beauty. I have had such a moment. Let me tell you my story.

It occurred on a warm Saturday morning, a mere week and a half ago, at the Kappa Alpha Theta Charity 5k. Cue the camera on our hero (me), splayed out on his bed. His hair is ruffled; his clothes lie in a crumpled pile beside the side of the bed. He groans in a manner that leaves no mystery as to the pounding inside of his head. Obviously, he is in for a rough morning. The clock reads 7:55 a.m. as the alarm begins to chime. Calling up a resolve and strength that rivals the heroes of Greek lore, he reaches across and slams the snooze button. Ten minutes later, cradling his head in his arms so as to avoid the light from the window, he gets up and begins moving around. Will three hours of sleep be enough for him to perform adequately in the big race? Will his hangover be a detriment to his conditioning? Could this possibly be an adversity that must be overcome in order to find success, both in a physical sense and in a spiritual one? Cue next scene.

A large group of people, some in running



Brad Clark

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SPORTS FEATURE



The odd couple

For senior Megan Moulton-Levy and sophomore Katarina Zoricic, the number one-ranked doubles team in the country, their strength is in their many differences

By Jeff Dooley  
Flat Hat Sports Editor

The nation’s number one-ranked doubles team steps onto the court for their Wednesday afternoon match against Old Dominion University. The two are a model in contrast. The first half of the team, senior Megan Moulton-Levy, is the veteran of the duo, the self-described “hot-wire” who, according to her coach, uses her quickness and athleticism to grind out her opponents. Her doubles partner, sophomore Katarina Zoricic, is by all accounts the quieter, more laid-back of the two, the one her coach says “takes it to her opponents” using her length and power.

They contrast physically as well. Moulton-Levy, who is black, stands just 5’0” tall, with well-defined muscles in both her arms and legs that accent her athletic frame. Zoricic, who is white, sports a lean, 5’9” tall frame, her blonde hair pulled back in a ponytail.

Individually, each is exceptional. Moulton-Levy, ranked 8th in the country, has compiled a 25-6 singles record this year and an 88-27 record during her career at the College, and Zoricic, ranked 65th nationally, has gone 27-7 this year and 52-16 overall in her two years at the College.

And together?

Together, they’re damn near impossible to beat.

Moulton-Levy and Zoricic’s opponents this day are Charleen Haarhoff and Fernanda Luiz of ODU. In case Haarhoff and Luiz weren’t already aware of their opponents’ number one ranking, the public address announcer makes sure of it. A large crowd, consisting mostly of adults in Tribe tennis apparel, as well as several players from the men’s tennis team, sits courtside, excitement building for the match.

Moulton-Levy and Zoricic stumble slightly out of the gate, committing several unforced errors on their way

to a 3-3 tie after the first six games. Even during this rough patch, however, their prowess is on full display. Zoricic rips powerful forehand and backhand returns, setting up Moulton-Levy to put on a show at the net, forcing her opponents into bad shots with her strong volleys and overhead smashes. Their communication is phenomenal, as they rarely get in each other’s way, even on shots splitting the middle of the court.

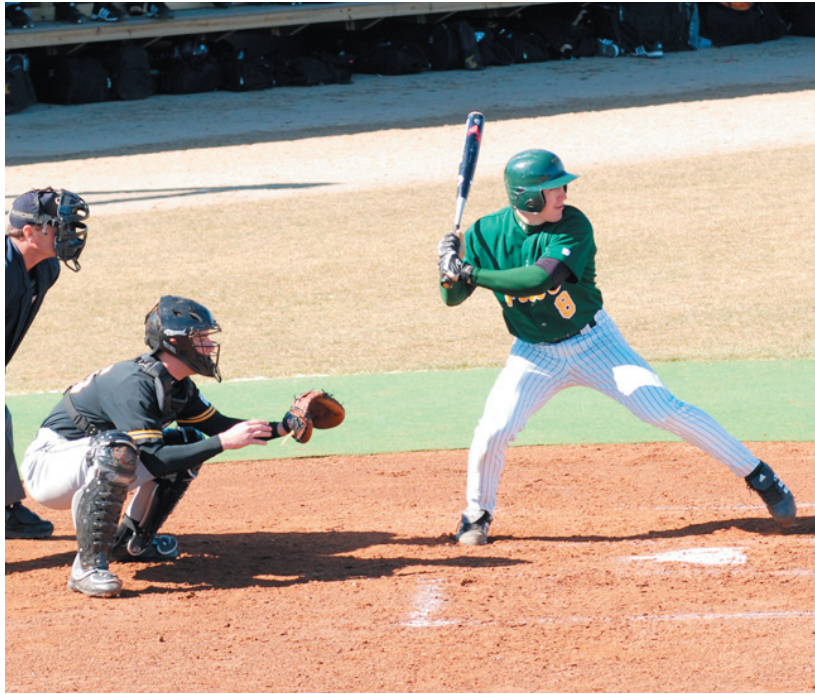
In the seventh game, they take over. Zoricic’s power and Moulton-Levy’s athleticism overwhelm their opponents, both crashing the net at the same time to create an impenetrable wall. Luiz grows visibly frustrated, talking to herself and picking at the strings of her racket. Moulton-Levy and Zoricic sweep the last five games, resulting in an 8-3 victory.

The girls, who would see their 24-match winning streak (a school record) snapped by Northwestern University’s Alexis Prousis and Georgia Rose two days later, possess a stat line that is impressive to say the least. They have compiled a 52-12 record over the past two seasons, including a 33-2 record this year, and, oh yeah, a national title for their first-place finish at the ITA National Indoor Championship this past November.

Neither their road to success nor their partnership began at the College. Moulton-Levy, who hails from Grosse Pointe, Mich., hit her first tennis balls against the wall of her house at the age of three, emulating her tennis playing sister, Natasha Moulton-Levy, ’95. Similarly, Zoricic picked up her first tennis racket at the age of four in her hometown of Toronto, Canada. The two have been doubles partners for about six years now, as they began playing together on the junior tennis circuit and at Chris Evert’s tennis academy in Florida. While their

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Sophomore Katarina Zoricic (left) and senior Megan Moulton-Levy (right) are 33-2 in doubles this season.



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The Tribe offense put up 25 runs in their 3-game series, but still were swept.

BASEBALL: GEORGIA STATE 15, TRIBE 12

Panthers swipe 3-game series

Pitching struggles as Georgia State sweeps; Tribe now 20-16 overall

By Maddy Wolfert  
The Flat Hat

Having won 11 of its last 13 contests and 14 of its last 16 at home in Plumeri Park, the Tribe baseball team entered this past weekend’s series against conference opponent Georgia State University on a five-game winning streak, ranking second in the CAA. Unfortunately, the Panthers came out swinging, and managed to sweep the series 17-11, 6-2, and 15-12. With the losses, the Tribe fell to 20-16 overall, 8-7 in the CAA.

In Friday’s game, both teams struggled to get into a pitching rhythm as four relievers were pulled from the bullpen.

“We are definitely getting concerned that we’re overusing some people ... Our pitching was not what we wanted it to be this weekend,” Head Coach Frank Leoni said.

Junior starting pitcher Sean Grieve (2-3) recorded the loss. The College put up strong offensive numbers with 11 hits, as junior catcher Tim Park went 3-for-4, sophomore shortstop Lanny Stanfield and junior left fielder Greg Maliniak went 2-for-3, and sophomore outfielder Ben Guez went 2-for-4. Guez launched the offense in the second with a double to advance Maliniak. Both ended up scoring in the inning, along with junior center fielder Paul Julianio.

The Panthers racked up eight runs in the

sixth to give them a total of 12, and although the College pushed in seven runs before the end of the game (including a Maliniak home run that also plated sophomore first baseman Mike Sheridan and sophomore pinch hitter Jeff Jones), Georgia State would score five more to reach the final tally of 17-11.

Due to the snowstorm Saturday, the scheduled game was postponed until Sunday to be played as a double-header. The first game, played as a seven-inning contest, featured freshman Kevin Landry (4-4) on the mound, who struck out six but allowed seven hits, ultimately recording the 2-6 loss. Tribe

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M. & W. TRACK AND FIELD: COLONIAL RELAYS

College hosts Colonial Relays as men, women finish second

Saturday’s snowstorm ends competition one day early

By Andrew Pike  
Flat Hat Assoc. Sports Editor

The return of the Colonial Relays to the College also marked the return of winter this past weekend. After Friday’s unseasonably cool temperatures, a classic Southern snowstorm raced through Williamsburg Saturday and forced the cancelation of day two of the Colonial Relays. Nevertheless, Friday provided plenty of strong performances from the College’s track athletes, including two record-breaking performances, as the Tribe men and women both finished second in the shortened meet.

A week after just missing the school record, sophomore Abby Lemon’s propelled herself into first place all-time at the College in the hammer throw with a heave of 161 feet and 3 inches; her throw broke the previous record of 159’ 8” held by Cassidy Harris. Lemon’s feat also captured her first place in the competition and the Tribe’s sole field event title at the Colonial Relays.

Equally impressive for the men was sophomore David Groff’s 1,500-meter triumph; timing 3 minutes and 46.98 seconds for the win, Groff set the meet record and qualified for the NCAA Regional meet. Prior to Groff’s victory, senior Sean Anastasia-Murphy took first place in the 3,000-m steeplechase in a NCAA Regional qualifying time of 9:04.23 as he edged Georgetown’s Dan Gerber by a mere 15 hundredths of a second. Junior Rob Dennis followed Anastasia-Murphy to the finish line in 9:06.08 to capture fourth place and an NCAA Regional qualifier.

Junior Ian Fitzgerald extended the Tribe’s distance-event dominance when he won the 5,000-m in an IC4A-qualifying time of 14:16.48. Sophomore Ryan Jones qualified for IC4A’s after taking second place in the 800-m, and fellow sophomore Alex Heacock moved into fifth place in the school record-books in the javelin after his 196’ throw. All told, the men’s team saw 13 individuals earn bids to IC4A’s.

Meanwhile, on the women’s side, senior Meghan Bishop posted an ECAC-qualifying time of 16:55.09 seconds en route to winning the 5,000-m. Junior teammate Kait Hurley followed quickly behind to take second place in 16:56.53 and qualify for ECAC’s as well. In addition to Bishop and Hurley, sophomore Lynn Morelli and junior Emily Gousen earned bids to ECAC’s as well.

The women’s distance corps also featured a third-place finish from freshman Anna Brousell in the 3,000-m steeplechase as she climbed to fifth all-time at the College in the event. Two Tribe women ran to the ninth-fastest times in school history in the 800-m and the 1,500-m respectively. Junior Allie Lewis finished the 800-m in 2:12.48 and freshman Emily Anderson completed the 1,500-m in an ECAC-qualifying time of 4:31.26.

The men and women return to action this weekend at the Lou Onesty/Milton Abramson Invitational in Charlottesville and the James Madison Open.



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The men’s team finished second to first-place Rutgers University in the shortened Colonial Relays.